

Shelter Animals: Fiscal Impact in California

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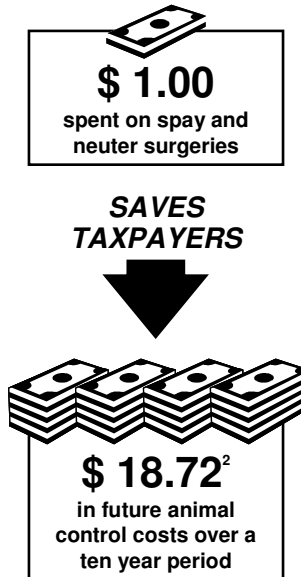
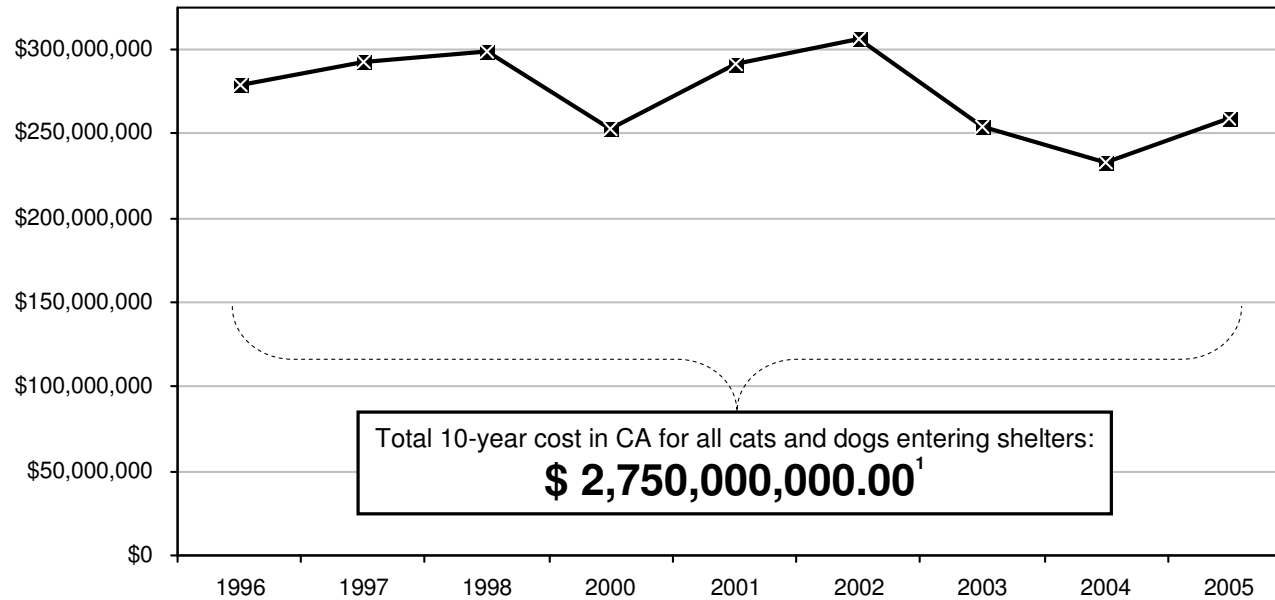


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Yearly Costs for Cats and Dogs Entering California Shelters



	1995	1996	1997	1998	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Cats and dogs entering California shelters	941,207	905,059	948,755	969,400	822,176	947,433	993,068	824,164	758,792	841,750
Total cost for <i>all</i> cats and dogs entering shelters	\$ 289,891,756	\$ 278,758,172	\$ 292,216,540	\$ 298,575,200	\$ 253,230,208	\$ 291,809,364	\$ 305,864,944	\$ 253,842,512	\$ 233,707,936	\$ 259,259,000

1 Basis for Calculations:

- \$2,750,000,000 ten year cost is derived from years 1995 to 2005 (numbers for 1999 are not available). Holding and euthanasia costs calculated on estimated total operational cost per animal of \$308.00 (capital costs are not included), submitted by the General Manager, City of Los Angeles Department of Animal Services.
- Numbers are extrapolated to 61 local health jurisdictions from reports varying from between 51 to 58 jurisdictions (83% to 95%) each year. Source: California Department of Health Services, Veterinary Public Health Section.

2 Source: Animal Population Control Study Commission Report.